

U. S. CAVALRY MAKES DASH INTO MEXICO, SAY MESSAGES; RUMOR OF CARRANZA REVOLT

4500 Troops Said to Have Made Initial Move From Columbus, N. M., Before Dawn—Second Detail 3 Miles From Line

Carranzistas in Race to Catch Outlaws Before Arrival of American Forces—Refugees From Interior Tell of Outrages Committed by Bandit Bands

American troops have crossed the Mexican border in pursuit of Francisco Villa and his band of outlaws, according to reports from various points along the international boundary.

Part of the force invading Mexico is said to be a cavalry detachment of 4500, commanded by Colonel George A. Dodd. It left Columbus, N. M., at 1:30 o'clock this morning, according to the reports.

A message from Hachita, N. M., stated that a second expeditionary force, largely cavalry, had mobilized at Cuberson's Ranch, three miles from the border, south of Hachita, and was ready to follow the first division into Mexico.

Carranzistas, numbering approximately 1200, stationed at Las Palomas, six miles south of Columbus, have evacuated the post, it is said, in revolt against Carranza, and are on their way to join Villa and his outlaws.

Conflicting reports tell of an attack on Hachita, N. M., one to the effect that Villista raiders last night swooped down on the town, looting and burning. Another said Carranzistas made the attack, engaging the 7th United States Cavalry and taking the town.

Frontier messages declare that Carranza forces are rapidly moving southward in pursuit of Villa and that their leaders are confident of effecting the capture before the arrival of American forces.

Intimations continued that the Carranzistas were engaged in efforts to delay and finally prevent the punitive expedition, and fears of clashes between United States troops and the Carranzistas were not wholly relieved.

The revolt of Carranzistas at Presidio, Tex., and the execution of General Rojas, a powerful Carranza lieutenant at Ojinagas, aroused new fears in American officialdom that Carranza would not be able to hold his forces in check and that the American expedition would meet armed opposition by the Constitutional troops.

Villa is still in the Galeana region, according to latest reports, headed either toward Chihuahua City or to the mountain fastnesses. At Chihuahua a strong Carranza garrison and an expedition of search is expected to start from that point.

The editor of a Carranza newspaper in El Paso was arrested for publication of an article calculated to incite anti-American riots.

4500 U. S. SOLDIERS CROSS BORDER IN HUNT FOR VILLA. SAY REPORTS FROM FRONT

EL PASO, Tex., March 15.—United States troops, detailed to hunt down and capture Francisco Villa, already have crossed the Mexican border at several points, according to messages received here today.

Official confirmation of the troop movement was not obtained. Cavalry forces numbering 4500 men formed that section of the punitive expedition said to have crossed the border into Mexico from Columbus, N. M., early today.



AGNEW T. DICE

A. T. DICE IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF READING TO SUCCEED VOORHEES

Vice President and Traffic Manager Chosen to Principal Post by Board of Directors

STARTED AS FLAGMAN

Agnew T. Dice, vice president and general manager of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, was elected president of the road at a meeting of the board of directors held at the Reading Terminal this afternoon.

CENTRE OF STATE GRIPPED BY BLIZZARD

State College Men Shovel Train Out of Drifts—40-Mile Gale Blowing

SUNBURY, Pa., March 15.—Central Pennsylvania is in the grip of a fierce blizzard which started early last night. Snow is falling and a 40-mile-an-hour gale is blowing.

LA PRIMA FASE DELLA BATTAGLIA DI GORIZIA

La Lotta Si Riaccende Con Un Importante Successo Italiano a San Martino

Con la loro violenta offensiva, violenta specialmente nel settore compreso tra il Sabotino e l'altipiano di Doberdo, gli italiani hanno iniziato ormai la battaglia di Gorizia. La lotta si è accesa in particolare modo vigorosa tra il villaggio di San Martino ed il Monte San Michele.

House Debates Sugar Bill

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The House this afternoon took up for consideration the sugar bill, which continues the present duty of 1 cent a pound, which automatically expires May 1 under the Underwood tariff bill.

SUBMARINE IN 15 DAYS OFFERED TO U. S. BY EDISON

Plan Also Includes Building of Aeroplanes Overnight

URGES BIG LABORATORY

Wants Plant for Standardization of Parts and Abolition of Red Tape

WASHINGTON, March 15.—"Give me the money, the material and the spirit and I'll build you a submarine in 15 days," was the preparedness message delivered to the House Naval Affairs Committee today by Thomas A. Edison, the electrical and mechanical inventor.

VILLA, BELLOWING IN RAGE, SPURRED MEN TO BUTCHER

Refugee Describes Maniacal Harangue Prior to Columbus Attack

"KILL THE AMERICANS"

EL PASO, March 15.—Francisco Villa halted his outlaws eight miles from the border to urge them on to butchery before he led them to the massacre of Americans at Columbus.

With a shout, the men sprang to their horses, and as they spurred the jaded animals forward they shouted:

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THIEVES CUT WIRES; "OWL" TRAIN DELAYED

Newtown Division Signal System Crippled—Detectives Seek Robbers

The signal system of the Newtown Division of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway was crippled and a theatre train, crowded with passengers, was obliged to proceed at a snail's pace when an advance guard of detectives, after thieves had slashed 1200 feet of wire between Walnut Hill and Valley Falls.

Although the wire theft took place early yesterday, it was not made known by the Abington police until today, when they arrested Louis White, who says he lives in Philadelphia.

As soon as the train dispatcher at the Reading terminal at 12:10, and was heading toward the danger zone. The train slowed down as it neared Walnut Hill, and the conductor crawled out on the cowcatcher to make observations.

FRENCH ATTACKS HALT FOE'S RUSH WEST OF MEUSE

Germans Assert Big Gains Made Northwest of Verdun Forts

TEUTONS HOLD CORBEAUX

Paris Says Counter-Assaults Regained Positions on Hill 265, Lost Yesterday

Vicious French counter-attacks have halted the new German offensive launched yesterday on the west bank of the Meuse, northwest of Verdun, according to official dispatches from Paris this afternoon.

The French War Office statement is apparently confirmed in the official statement from the German War Office. Berlin claims further gains by Silesian regiments at Le Mort Homme (Dead Man Hill), and the capture of 1025 French prisoners, and reports the repulse of four French counter-attacks.

Paris dispatches confirm the report that Germans attempted to encircle Bethincourt and Le Mort Homme (Dead Man Hill), after 36 hours' artillery preparation. Both positions are firmly held by the French, the French War Office announces, as well as the village of Cumieres, east of Dead Man Hill.

BERLIN, March 15.—German troops have occupied the crest of Goose Hill.

MAYOR'S SON-IN-LAW GETS CITY JOB; HEAD OF RESEARCH BUREAU

William S. Robertson Says Civil Service Commission Berth Has Nothing to Do With Relationship

PLACE PAYS \$1800 YEAR

Mayor Smith's Four Personal Appointments

Dr. Wilmer Krusen, Appointed Director of the Department of Public Health and Charities. Family physician to Smith family. Salary \$10,000.

Joseph C. Smith, Appointed private secretary to Mayor. Mayor Smith's brother. Salary \$6000.

Herman Smith, Appointed district elevator inspector. No relative to Mayor, although same surname. Employed as butler in Mayor's Glenside home. Salary \$1000.

William S. Robertson, Appointed chief of investigation and research of Civil Service Commission. Job just created by Councils. Mayor's son-in-law. Salary \$1800.

SEPTIMIUS (two-o-tum).—Favritium shown to nobles and other relatives by a senator of patrician by reason of relationship.

Robertson married Miss Ruth Smith, the Mayor's daughter, a year ago. Their home is at 106 West Cliveden avenue, Germantown.

Rumors in City Hall were confirmed by Robertson today when he was asked about the reported appointment. "Yes and no," he replied when asked if he were related to the Mayor.

QUICK NEWS

P & O LINER BURNS AT SEA; PASSENGERS SAVED

MARSEILLES, March 15.—The steamship Karulak arrived here today with the passengers of the P. & O. liner Morea on board, the Morea having been abandoned by them on account of fire.

GERMANS TO CALL OUT BOYS OF 17

COPENHAGEN, March 15.—The German War Office is preparing to call to the colors youths of 17 and 18 at the end of the month, it was reported here today.

NATIONAL TUBE COMPANY PLANT TO BE ENLARGED

PITTSBURGH, March 15.—The seamless tube plant of the National Tube Company, at Elwood City, Pa., is to be enlarged. Announcement to this effect was made today by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation.

PRICE OF QUICKSILVER REDUCED

NEW YORK, March 15.—The price of quicksilver has been reduced to \$225 a flask, a decline of \$75 since March 1. The report is current in trade circles that Great Britain will remove the restriction on shipments of quicksilver from Europe, thus releasing large stocks held abroad.

FOOD RIOTS IN BULGARIA; STORES RAIDED

BUCHAREST, March 15.—Food riots have started in Varna and Philippopolis, Bulgaria. Stores were raided and foodstuffs seized.

WILL ARREST BOYS FOUND "HITCHED ON BEHIND"

In the hope of decreasing the death toll among children who steal rides on the rear of wagons and other vehicles, Director of Public Safety Wilson, Superintendent of Police Robinson and Coroner Knight today authorized every policeman in the city to stop any vehicle on which children are riding in the rear.

KAISER TO SELL HIS CASTLES

ROME, March 15.—Press dispatches received today from Switzerland say that the Kaiser has ordered the sale of several of his castles in order to contribute the proceeds to the new German war loan.

DUTCH SHIP DAMAGED AT SEA; CAUSE NOT TOLD

LONDON, March 15.—The Dutch steamship Jan Van Nassau, bound from New York to Rotterdam, today signaled the wireless station at the Lizard that she had been damaged at sea, but the nature of the accident was not given. The Jan Van Nassau is a new vessel of 3320 tons, in the Holland-American trade.

AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR ON PORTUGAL

ROME, March 15.—Austria has declared war on Portugal, according to dispatches received here today. Dispatches from Geneva say Austria has recalled her Minister to Lisbon and has handed the Portuguese Minister his passports.

BRANDEIS GOT \$225,000 FEE IN OLD DOMINION CASE

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Louis D. Brandeis received \$225,000 as his fee from the Old Dominion Copper and Smelting Company, so Charles S. Smith, president of the Old Dominion Company, told the Senate Investigating Committee today.

SNOW DRIFTS 35 FEET HIGH IN NEW YORK STATE

ROME, N. Y., March 15.—Snow from four to five feet deep covers a big area of central New York as the result of a storm which has lasted several days. At some places in the Adirondacks drifts are 35 feet high.

GOEBEN LANDS GUNS AT TREBIZOND

ATHENS, March 15.—The Turkish cruiser Sultan Selim, formerly the German cruiser Goeben, according to Nea Hellas, has succeeded in eluding the Russian Black Sea fleet and landed a number of German officers and guns at Trebizond.

TWO AIRMEN OF CITY VOLUNTEER FOR U. S. SERVICE

Two expert Philadelphia aviators have volunteered their services to the War Department to assist in tracking Villa through Mexico. They are Harvey Wilbur Kays and Haldeman von Fygelness, both of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania.

DISABLED MUNITIONS SHIP CONTINUES VOYAGE

NEW YORK, March 15.—The steamship Zealandia, of the Federal Forwarding Company, reported in trouble, is proceeding on her way following slight difficulty with the steering gear, Captain Barlow reported today in a wireless message to the company's offices. The Zealandia gave her position as 680 miles from New York bound to Malta. She is laden with munitions for the British.

AUSTRIA SAYS ALLIES TORPEDOED UNARMED SHIPS

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The Austrian Embassy here today filed a formal memorandum with the State Department, alleging that the Entente Allies' submarines had torpedoed two unarmed Austrian passenger steamships without warning. The vessels were the Daniel Erno and the Zagreb. The attacks occurred in the Adriatic. The Austrian statement said that both vessels escaped by skillful maneuvers. Officials at the State Department indicated that no action would be taken by this Government, as it is not concerned.

WILL NOT ABANDON PLATTSBURG CAMPS

Military training camps will be held this summer at Plattsburg according to schedule, despite the report published in New York to the effect that the camps would be abandoned due to shortage of officers. The Military Training Camp Association, composed of Philadelphians who have taken the course at Plattsburg, an announcement to this effect today, after being assured by General Scott, Chief of Staff, U. S. A., that the camps would be held during the summer months from May to August.

NEW REVOLUTION IN CHINA

WASHINGTON, March 15.—New revolutions have broken out in China, according to dispatches received at the Navy Department today from Admiral Winterhalter, commanding the Asiatic fleet. Rebels, he reported, are planning an attack in force on Luchow and fighting is in progress in the provinces of Chichiang and Hunan.

BRITISH CRUSH REVOLT IN EGYPT

LONDON, March 15.—According to an official dispatch from Cairo, made public here, the revolt of the Senussi in the western frontier of Egypt has completely collapsed. "Our forces under Major General Peyton," the dispatch says, "will occupy Sollum (the outpost on the Tripoli frontier, evacuated last fall when the Senussi went on the warpath) today. The Senussi camp at M'Saad is reported unoccupied and no opposition is expected. The Senussi who eluded joining forces with Seyid Ahmed (the Arab rebel leader) are demoralized and suffering greatly from hunger and disappointment. The Sheik Harun of Bahari, east of Mevas Matruh (where the Senussi were routed by the British in January) has surrendered and is in our camp. The head men of the Arab tribes are asking for pardon."

THE WEATHER

Forecast for Philadelphia and vicinity—Light rain on Sunday morning, with moderate to heavy rain on Sunday afternoon and evening, with temperature falling to degrees by Thursday morning; Sunday partly cloudy and colder; Monday to northwest gale.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost on Sunday morning, pearl necklace, diamond at top, set in white metal, at St. James Church at 10th and Arch streets, at 11th and Arch streets, at 12th and Arch streets, at 13th and Arch streets, at 14th and Arch streets, at 15th and Arch streets, at 16th and Arch streets, at 17th and Arch streets, at 18th and Arch streets, at 19th and Arch streets, at 20th and Arch streets, at 21st and Arch streets, at 22nd and Arch streets, at 23rd and Arch streets, at 24th and Arch streets, at 25th and Arch streets, at 26th and Arch streets, at 27th and Arch streets, at 28th and Arch streets, at 29th and Arch streets, at 30th and Arch streets, at 31st and Arch streets, at 32nd and Arch streets, at 33rd and Arch streets, at 34th and Arch streets, at 35th and Arch streets, at 36th and Arch streets, at 37th and Arch streets, at 38th and Arch streets, at 39th and Arch streets, at 40th and Arch streets, at 41st and Arch streets, at 42nd and Arch streets, at 43rd and Arch streets, at 44th and Arch streets, at 45th and Arch streets, at 46th and Arch streets, at 47th and Arch streets, at 48th and Arch streets, at 49th and Arch streets, at 50th and Arch streets, at 51st and Arch streets, at 52nd and Arch streets, at 53rd and Arch streets, at 54th and Arch streets, at 55th and Arch streets, at 56th and Arch streets, at 57th and Arch streets, at 58th and Arch streets, at 59th and Arch streets, at 60th and Arch streets, at 61st and Arch streets, at 62nd and Arch streets, at 63rd and Arch streets, at 64th and Arch streets, at 65th and Arch streets, at 66th and Arch streets, at 67th and Arch streets, at 68th and Arch streets, at 69th and Arch streets, at 70th and Arch streets, at 71st and Arch streets, at 72nd and Arch streets, at 73rd and Arch streets, at 74th and Arch streets, at 75th and Arch streets, at 76th and Arch streets, at 77th and Arch streets, at 78th and Arch streets, at 79th and Arch streets, at 80th and Arch streets, at 81st and Arch streets, at 82nd and Arch streets, at 83rd and Arch streets, at 84th and Arch streets, at 85th and Arch streets, at 86th and Arch streets, at 87th and Arch streets, at 88th and Arch streets, at 89th and Arch streets, at 90th and Arch streets, at 91st and Arch streets, at 92nd and Arch streets, at 93rd and Arch streets, at 94th and Arch streets, at 95th and Arch streets, at 96th and Arch streets, at 97th and Arch streets, at 98th and Arch streets, at 99th and Arch streets, at 100th and Arch streets.